

MEETING MINUTES

Committee	COMMISSION ON CRIMINAL & JUVENILE JUSTICE
Date	Thursday, April 14, 2011
Time	8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location	State Capitol Complex, Senate Building, Copper Room
Members Present	Senator Stuart Adams, Judge Judith Atherton, Kathleen Christy, Commissioner Lance Davenport, Sim Gill, Mike Haddon (for Tom Patterson), Clark Harms, Dan Maldonado, Richard McKelvie, Stan Parrish, Reed Richards, Attorney General Mark Shurtleff, Greg Skordas, Lana Stohl, Ray Wahl (for Dan Becker), Carlene Walker
Members Excused	Camille Anthony, Adam Cohen, Representative Eric Hutchings, Chief Mike Larsen, Judge Elizabeth Lindsley, Sheriff James Winder
Guests	Steve Allred, Craig Barlow, Paul Boyden, Frank Budd, Craig Burr, Dan Chesnut, Sheriff Lynn Nelson, Marjean Searcy, Steve Wright, Tenielle Young
Staff	Mary Lou Emerson, Reg Garff, Ron Gordon, Jennifer Hemenway, Jo Lynn Kruse, Cuong Nguyen, Ben Peterson, Ned Searle, Jacey Skinner, Bri Smith, Monica Taylor, Ken Vargason, Dave Walsh, Clair Webster, Doreen Weyland, Richard Ziebarth
Agenda Item	Welcome & Approval of Minutes
Notes	<p>Stan Parrish welcomed all present.</p> <p>Motion: Commissioner Lance Davenport made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of February 10, 2011. The motion was seconded by Greg Skordas and passed unanimously.</p>
Agenda Item	2011 General Session Overview
Notes	<p>Doreen Weyland gave an overview of 2011 legislation. Three bills that had direct impact on CCJJ included, H.B. 21: Statutorily Required Reports Amendments, S.B. 58: Crime Victim Reparations Revisions and S.B. 86: Sunset Reauthorizations, which removes the Sentencing Commission from future reauthorization.</p> <p>Ron Gordon reported that at the end of the day the Commission will discuss 2011 study issues, but he would like to discuss one now. He said after the news on the Lonnie Johnson case broke CCJJ began receiving calls from a number of interested groups who wanted to see if they should study the issue and there are a number of groups that want to study this issue. Ron would like for the Commission to approve creating a study group to look at this issue. He said they need to make sure the right issues are being addressed and that it is based on good policy and not reacting to anything that has happened. The Commission discussed this issue and decided to create a study group to address it.</p>
Agenda Item	Offender Employment Project
Notes	<p>Dan Chesnut gave an overview of the Offender Employment project which was funded with ARRA Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) money. This project allowed them to hire six agents to collaborate with allied agencies in job development and offer direct assistance to persons under the jurisdiction of the Utah Department of Corrections to search, find, and maintain full time, sustainable employment. The agents would carry out this responsibility by teaching job readiness workshops, collaborating with community partners, and directly contacting potential employers. Dan reviewed results from this project.</p> <p>Richard Ziebarth reported there is \$700,000 in JAG funding available that could be used to continue to fund this project.</p> <p>Motion: Dan Maldonado made a motion to approve funding the Offender Employment</p>

	project for a total of \$700,000. The motion was seconded by Reed Richards and passed unanimously.
Agenda Item	E-citations
Notes	Clair Webster reviewed Rule 4-702 Electronic citations required, which requires citations to be transmitted to the court electronically beginning July 1, 2012. He said E-citations provides benefits to citizens, law enforcement, court staff, and judges. E-citations are both efficient and cost-effective. The benefits of E-citations include eliminating the need to enter information by hand, which saves time, eliminates errors and duplicate entries by officers, courts, and clerks, and gets officers and drivers off the roadside more quickly. Clair mentioned the Commission asked CCJJ staff to look for ways to help law enforcement fund E-citations, possible funding identified included 1) the NCHIP grant, which can be used for criminal and record improvement programs, 2) Department of Public Safety, Highway Safety grant funds and 3) they could explore using the law enforcement operations account. Clair asked those present from law enforcement what concerns have been raised regarding this new Rule. Frank Budd, Executive Director, Utah Chiefs of Police said in February he polled the Chiefs of Police on this issue and all agreed that E-citations are a great idea. Larger agencies said they could do E-citations or are already doing it. The smaller agencies are saying they don't know how to do this and have significant financial concerns. Jennifer Hemenway asked that the Commission consider approving the use of the law enforcement operations account to help agencies fund E-citations.
Agenda Item	Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC)
Notes	Cuong Nguyen reviewed the 2010 DMC accomplishments, which include 1) developed and completed the community relations curriculum for POST on July 1, 2010, 2) conducted two-day DMC TA training in September, which was attended by about 40 people, 3) continued to work to increase the use of court diversion program for Hispanic youth in Utah, Weber, and Salt Lake counties, and 4) raised awareness of DMC issues to over 220 individuals. Cuong also reviewed the statewide FY09 Relative Rate Index (RRI) statewide data.
Agenda Item	Juvenile Justice Grant Evaluation Tool
Notes	Matt Davis reviewed the UBJJ Program Quality Improvement Project. He said the goal of the evaluation is to provide structure that allows new programs to rapidly become effective programs. The steps to meet this goal include 1) identify where programs are most needed, 2) identify what programs already exist, and 3) assist funded programs to provide evidenced based programs. Matt also reviewed the UBJJ Risk and Protective Tool and mentioned the UBJJ Youth Information Tool.
Agenda Item	Research and Policy Discussion
Notes	<p>Dr. Ben Peterson reported the 2010 crime victim survey sample was larger and more balanced across important demographic categories than previous surveys, and included more diverse methods of data collection (online, cell phone) in addition to the traditional sampling of landline telephones. He said responses were collected from 2009 individuals from across the state on questions assessing crime victimization and various perceptions and opinions about crime in the state and their community. Victimization rates are down in the current assessment overall, and for most crime categories and specific crimes. Dr. Peterson noted as in past surveys, respondents were asked if they had been victims of various property, person, and sexual crimes in the previous years. Overall, 51 percent of respondents experienced at least one of the crimes listed. He reviewed data from the 2010 Crime Victim Survey.</p> <p>Dr. Peterson also reviewed a summary of current research and data on dating violence in Utah. National data shows that unmarried individuals experience nonlethal intimate partner violence at rates only surpassed by individuals who were separated or divorced from their partners. In recent years, women are just as likely to be murdered by dating partners as</p>

	spouses. Dating violence in the United States and Utah is experienced by adolescents, young adults, and older adults in dating relationships, though the dynamics may differ according to age group.
Agenda Item	CCJJ Annual Awards Presentation
Notes	The CCJJ Annual Award was presented to Darin Carver. Sheriff Lynn Nelson was recognized for his years of service on the Commission.
Agenda Item	Research and Policy Discussion
Notes	Dr. Ben Peterson reviewed the Parole Report Summary. The project is broken into two parts: a qualitative analysis of the parole system in Utah and a quantitative analysis of a cohort of parolees and their outcomes. The qualitative analysis included a legal analysis of the parole system and recent changes in law and policy, as well as a survey of individuals currently working in the system. The quantitative analysis followed offenders paroled from Utah's prison system in 2005 and 2006 from their first release in this time period until December 31, 2008, or until their parole ends through a revocation or discharge. Dr. Peterson reported an online survey was created and sent to members and hearing officers at the Board of Pardons and Parole and parole agents, supervisors, and administrators at Adult Probation and Parole within the Utah Department of Corrections. He said overall, the most important goals for parole were clearly protecting the public, holding the offender accountable, and making sure the offender adheres to parole conditions. The desire to change on the part of the offender was rated highest in terms of factors relating to success on parole, followed by getting away from bad companions, finding employment, and getting support from family and friends. Dr. Peterson also reviewed data from the summary.
Agenda Item	Pharmaceutical Awareness Campaign
Notes	Marjean Searcy and Steve Wright gave an overview of the Pharmaceutical Awareness Campaign. The Commission watched commercials and heard radio spots.
Agenda Item	2011 Study Issues
Notes	2011 study issues include 1) the Commission approved creating a study group to look at issues relating to the Lonnie Johnson case, 2) a review of the Sex Offender Registry and whether or not there should be a process to remove someone from the registry after some passage of time and after meeting certain criteria, and 3) the Commission studied in interim, laws relating to the mental health factors that prohibit someone from purchasing or possessing a firearm. The question is should someone who has been subject to a mental health prohibition be allowed to be removed from that list.
Agenda Item	Grants – Priority Areas
Notes	<p>Richard Ziebarth reviewed recent Justice Assistant Grant awards (JAG) and priority purpose areas used to allocate the funds. These six priority purpose areas were created by the Commission over a year ago and include 1) Prescription Drug Abuse – prevention education and enforcement projects, 2) Domestic Violence and Rape – prevention education and enforcement projects, 3) Criminal Justice Technology projects, 4) gang prevention education and enforcement projects, 5) problem solving courts, and 6) alternatives to incarceration programs. Stan Parrish asked the Commission to review these priority purpose areas and asked if they needed to be changed or modified for the coming year.</p> <p>Motion: Sim Gill made a motion to approve the current grant priority purpose areas. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lance Davenport and passed unanimously.</p>
Next Meeting	The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 9, 2011 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the State Capitol Complex, Senate Building, in the Copper Room.